

Amendment to the Specification:

Please replace the last paragraph on page 3 of the specification (published as WO 01/21679) with the following amended paragraph:

The invention further provides a process for preparing the adduct, which comprises heating an alkyldipropylenetriamine of the formula (I) to reaction temperature (50-100°C), subsequently adding at least one epoxide compound $[(F)]$ having on average at least one epoxide group in the molecule, with continued stirring, and finally, after the formation of adducts has ended, removing any excess alkyldipropylenetriamine from the reaction mixture.